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SPEAKER: Motion carries.

CLERK: That is all the amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: That's all the amendments, sir?

CLERK: Yes.

SPEAKER: What will we do with the bill? Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: At this time, I would ask that the bill be advanced to E & R initial. I would only comment, in so saying, once again that not only now do you have the Commission required to set the date. It will require confirmation by the majority of the voters in that county. Most of the attendance of the track, however, is outside the county but this is neither here nor there, and as I said earlier, I have no grievous objection to it. Accordingly, as someone once said, I wash my hands of this and I recommend the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I'd like to ask Senator Murphy a question.

SPEAKER: Senator Murphy, do you yield?

SENATOR MURPHY: I have no choice in the matter, Mr. Chairman.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Murphy, does your last comment mean that you'd just as soon the bill be voted up or down?

SENATOR MURPHY: No, sir, Senator Chambers, I simply say that we have added a small encumbrance to it that I feel is not really genuine. It in no way changes the aspect of the bill and I most certainly advocate that it be advanced.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Murphy. This is a bill that's appropriate which now has a rider. As you all know, if a horse wins but he throws his rider, his win does not count. I think the bill is not good. I was hoping that the attachment of Senator Maresh's encumbrance would be sufficient to weight the bill down so that it couldn't cross the finish line. If Senator Murphy had said that he didn't particularly care about it, one way or the other, I was going to move at this point to kill it but I am not going to continue to do that. I believe...did I try to kill it the other day, Senator Murphy?

SENATOR MURPHY: I might say that you came within about three votes of doing it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. So I am not going to do that again. The horses that I needed were not here today to kill it. Obviously, the horses that he needs are here to run it to victory. I am going to vote against the bill. I wish that enough of you would vote against it so that it cannot advance.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Kime.